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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

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Commissioner for Patents

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**INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 21, 2005, three months extended until a final due date of May 21, 2006, with a Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee, and concurrent with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), the Examiner is requested to please amend the above-identified application as follows: